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SUBJ: THIRD COUNTRY MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO THE PHILIPPINES

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1. THIRD COUNTRY MILITARY GRANT AID ASSISTANCE TO THE PHILIPPINES HAS BEEN MINIMAL AND TOKEN, E.G., FOUR UNARMED COAST GUARD TYPE 42-FOOT PATROL CRAFT FROM AUSTRALIA AND ONE SIMILAR CRAFT FROM JAPAN. IN ADDITION, ALL THE SERVICES HAVE RECEIVED REPARATION GOODS FROM JAPAN, MOSTLY TRUCKS. A MODEST NUMBER OF UNARMED TRAINING AIRCRAFT (T-34) WERE ALSO RECEIVED UNDER THE REPARATIONS AGREEMENT.

2. DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS, THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) HAVE INCREASINGLY MADE CASH PURCHASES FOR MILITARY HARDWARE FROM THIRD COUNTRIES. SUCH PURCHASES HAVE CONSISTED OF TRAINING AIRCRAFT AND HOWITZERS FROM ITALY, LIGHT TANK FROM THE U.K., HELICOPTERS FROM GERMANY, PATROL BOATS FROM JAPAN, MORTARS FROM BELGIUM, AND ARMS AND PATROL CRAFT FROM SINGAPORE. IN ALMOST EVERY CASE, SUCH PURCHASES WERE MADE BECAUSE THE ITEM

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WAS NOT AVAILABLE WITHIN THE DOD INVENTORY OR, IF AVAIL-

ABLE, LEAD TIMES FOR DELIVERY WERE EXCESSIVELY LONG.

3. TO DATE, THIRD COUNTRY SALES/GRANT AID ASSISTANCE HAS NOT BEEN INIMICAL TO U.S. OBJECTIVES IN THE PHILIPPINES. MOREOVER, CASH PURCHASES FOR MILITARY EQUIPMENT FROM THIRD COUNTRIES HAVE SATISFIED AN URGENT NEED WHICH THE USG DID NOT HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO FULFILL. SUCH SALES HAVE NOT BEEN USED BY THE GOP TO EXERT INFLUENCE IN HOPES OF GAINING ADDITIONAL MILITARY ASSISTANCE FROM THE USG.  
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